

SALES BRING BIG SUMS TO PLANTERS

About \$100,000 Distributed During Past Week on Lynchburg Tobacco Market.

OLD "HORSESHOE" FARM SOLD

Hunting Season in Campbell County Closed—Work of Probation Officer.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lynchburg, Va., December 15.—The past week was one of the heaviest the Lynchburg tobacco market has seen for a long time, the sales aggregating about 1,500,000 pounds, which was the means of distributing about \$100,000 to the planters. Fully half of this it is estimated, was spent in the city before the planters went home, and practically all of the remainder will find its way back to the city, for the trade of the Lynchburg tobacco district is enjoyed almost exclusively by local wholesalers and jobbers.

The present crop of tobacco is declared by the oldest men around the market to be easily the poorest ever grown in this section. Due to continued drought and the lack of proper weather for maturing the tobacco is short of leaf in body and texture, making it a very undesirable crop. Despite this the offerings are selling well, and Lynchburg is easily maintaining her place as the first dark leaf market of the State.

The old "Horse Shoe" farm, located near Rapidan, Culpeper County, which belonged to the estate of the late Joseph Wilmer, has been sold to R. L. Brady, of Pennsylvania. The property contains 150 acres, but the purchase price has not been made public. It was formerly owned by the late Bishop J. P. R. Wilmer, of the Episcopal Church, and the colonial house on the property was constructed by the well known Moncure family. The property is one of the most historic in the Piedmont section, and is not remote from country homes owned by William D. Point of Wilmington, Del., and Gordon Battle, of New York.

Season Is Closed.
Acting upon the suggestion of game protective associations of the State, which have been moved by reports of the scarcity of birds, an order of the Board of Supervisors of Campbell County went into effect last night, by which the season has been closed. This closes six weeks of the open season, and the action comes as a great disappointment to local hunters, who have been unable to hunt much thus far on account of adverse weather conditions. A number of hunters in this section hold to the belief that there is no unusual scarcity of game this season, but that the hunters have not been able to locate many coveys because the birds have been in the woods up to date rather than in the fields. These men are expecting good sport in the counties adjoining the season is closed, open as soon as vegetation is frozen in the woods sufficiently long to force the birds to the fields to feed.

E. J. Doyle, one of the local horsemen, recently suspended by the National Trotting Association on the charge of having raced a "ringer" on several Virginia and North Carolina tracks, indignantly denies the charge and claims that he did not know he was under charges until he learned of it in press reports. He holds that he was not given an opportunity to defend himself. He declares he will fight to the last to prove himself innocent of the charge of which he has been convicted without a hearing. He expects to see the ruling reversed as soon as he will have had opportunity to be heard.

B. T. Gilmer, of Draper's Valley, is probably the "boss" rural free delivery mail carrier of Virginia, on his record since his route leading out of Draper, one of the oldest in the service was established eleven years ago. Turning this time he has been off the route only fourteen working days and has covered about 30,000 miles, making his trip every day with the horse he used on his initial trip more than a decade ago. That the route is a busy one is shown by the fact that during October and November he handled 12,000 pieces of mail matter.

Payment of Capitation Taxes.
Should there be a special election in Lynchburg during the first half of 1913, the number of qualified voters here will be very small, for only 2,000 whites and 150 negroes have paid their capitation taxes as a prerequisite to voting. It was rumored some time ago that the "wets" were contemplating petitioning for an election early in

WHERE ARE THE BOYS OF YESTERDAY?



Thomas H. Norwood's University School, Room "B." Taken November, 1912. Richmond, Va. Top line (left to right): Hampton Fleming, H. Lee Bragg, Claborn Robbins, Sydney Elerson, Beverly Tucker, William Cameron, Barton Cameron, J. Murray Hill, Thomas Abner, Charlie McCulloch, Bransford Cox, Thomas H. Norwood, teacher. Second line: Lawrence Hall, Alexander Cameron, James E. Cannon, William Irons, Peter C. Warwick, Charlie Brock, Robert C. Bryan, W. Gay Smith, James Stringfellow, Carl H. Nolting, Alfred McLeod, Bertie Morgan, Leonard Noel, Bottom line: Elmer Ecker, Stephen Ellison, Blair E. Stringfellow, Jonathan Bryan, George Hooker, Allen Warren, Corbin Shield, Adolphus Blair, Ham White, Crump Tucker, Tyler Brock, Charles Holladay, Hugh McLeod.

the year in the hope of "slipping one over" on the "drys." It is not known which side appears to have a majority in the qualified vote, but the run-off seems to have subsided. The present instance of the contest is in the most violent form, but only one death is reported thus far. The county will provide free vaccination and require it among the school children.

Because the district authorities are not making public the manner in which they are expending money secured from bond issue in Tazewell County for road building, an effort to secure an injunction against the further extension of some of the roads is threatened. The authorities say the way the money has been used can be seen on file at the office of the district engineer, holding that it is an unnecessary expense to pay for the advertising of such reports. The complaint is worst in the Clear Fork district, in Tazewell County.

Rev. J. W. Stephens, of Blackstone, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Christian Church at Clifton Forge, and he has advised the church here that he will begin his labors early in January.

ON TOUR OF INSPECTION.

Officials of General Chemical Company in Pulaski Section.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Pulaski, Va., December 15.—Officials of the General Chemical Company, with main offices at New York, of which the Pulaski Mining Company is a subsidiary organization, have been spending several days in the city and at their mines in adjacent counties on a tour of inspection. The visitors included William H. Nichols, chairman of the board of the General Chemical Company, and second vice-president of the Pulaski Mining Company. Accompanied by R. F. Hill, resident manager of the Pulaski plant, J. W. Eckman and Percival Johnson, president of the board of the Pulaski Iron Company; H. E. McIlharg, Jr., general manager; V. L. C. and C. Co., and J. W. Cook, superintendent of this division of the Norfolk and Western, and W. B. Wyatt, local agent, and they visited the large mining operations of the chemical company.

The Thursday Club was delightfully entertained Thursday afternoon at the Presbyterian manse by Mrs. Carl Matthews. An interesting literary and musical program was entertained, the guests were served by the hostess.

The guests included Messdames W. W. Chaffin, R. H. Woodling, A. V. Hancock, Dupuy Holladay, Jessie N. Bosanz, George R. Cheves, R. C. Graham, K. E. Harman, C. K. Korman, F. L. Campbell, W. S. Gilmer, H. C. Gilmer, F. C. Lowry, J. A. Howard, Harry Painter, G. G. Painter, D. G. Langhorne, B. Laughon and O. Laughon, and Misses Mary Ella Frost, Nancy Allison, May Pollock, Frances Stone and Xanda Lawer.

Dr. John M. Crowe, pastor of the Stuart Memorial Methodist Church, has been designated by Governor Mann as a delegate to the National Temperance Conference, which will meet in Washington the 15th to 18th.

The women of Dublin are at the bottom of a move to provide a Christmas tree for the community. The list of children will include all who are fifteen years of age and under, and already nearly 400 names have been filed. The purpose of those in charge of the movement is to assure every child a Christmas present and treat. The distributing will take place Christmas night in the Dublin Institute auditorium.

Premontaux Council No. 1512, Royal Arcanum, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: A. E. W. Miller, regent; E. J. Cooley, vice-regent; H. C. Gilmer, orator; B. Laughon, past regent; A. L. Hunt, secretary; W. W. Stevens, collector; W. S. Gilmer, chaplain; S. M. Lyon, guide; George Van Hout, warden; S. E. Grandison, sentry; A. E. W. Miller, representative to grand council; A. B. Hunt, alternate; O. C. Brown, trustee for three years; Eugene Emberger, trustee for two years; J. K. Warden, trustee for one year.

Weddings and Engagements.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Heathsville, Va., December 15.—Miss Mallinda Jewell and Edward New, both of Loudoun, were married yesterday at the Baptist parsonage, in Heathsville, by Rev. A. J. Rowan. John Smith, of Conn. Northumberland, has announced the approaching marriage of his daughter, Miss Clara Smith, to Eugene Beauchamp, of Washington. The ceremony to take place the latter part of the month. Miss Fay Davis, of Latham, and Edward Calks, of Kinsden, were married at the Methodist parsonage at Callier, this morning by Rev. E. D. Hara.

News of Petersburg

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Petersburg, Va., December 15.

The announcement that Governor Mann, while in no sense an aggressive candidate, would accept the Eastern District of Virginia after the expiration of his gubernatorial term in 1914, if offered him, has aroused much interest in this city and section, where he has a host of warm friends. The news comes as a surprise, as it was probably known to but few that the Governor had been considered in this connection.

Petersburg has an announced candidate for the district attorneyship in the person of J. Gordon Bohannon, a prominent young attorney of the city, who has been endorsed for the position by many members of the local bar and of the bars of the different counties in the district, as well as of Norfolk. Mr. Bohannon was the Democratic elector for the Fourth Congressional District in the late campaign, and did active service.

It is also reported that there may be other aspirants for the position from other portions of the Eastern District.

Flag-Raising Exercises.

Interesting exercises were held Friday afternoon at the high school at Church Road, in Dinwiddie, on the occasion of the raising of a flag over the building. There was a large gathering of the friends and patrons of the school to witness and take part in the exercises. A fine program was arranged, and addresses were delivered by the Rev. F. W. Moore, of this city, and State Secretary Binford and others.

King's Daughters at Work.

The King's Daughters are arranging to distribute 150 baskets of provisions and delicacies among the needy of the city, and are asking the well-to-do citizens to help them by contributions. The daughters never appeal in vain for aid in their work. During the past month the trained nurse employed by the daughters reported 173 visits made to the sick and needy.

Committed for Sussex Authorities.

John Mason, the negro who surrendered to the police of this city last night, confessing to the murder of a colored woman, Gertrude Smith, near Stony Creek, on Friday evening, has been committed to jail until Tuesday, to await the action of the Sussex authorities. The conduct of the negro in surrendering so far away from the scene of the murder, and voluntarily confessing the crime when he was not even suspected and could easily have escaped, is regarded as remarkable. But he says he was conscience smitten in his flight from the scene. Mason is a young, strongly built young negro, and has been working for some time as a lumber plant in Dinwiddie. The woman's husband was away at the time of the murder.

A Dark City.

During the first half of the night the greater part of the city is in darkness as far as street lights are concerned. This is due to the serious washout in the canal which feeds the power plant of the Virginia Railway and Power Company in Dinwiddie, by

reason of which, that plant which furnishes general power in the city has been temporarily put out of commission. The power is now furnished by the small plant in the city. The street cars are kept in service. As soon as they stop running at midnight the power is turned on the street lights. The company will have the damage to the canal repaired sometime this week.

Farmers' Union Organized.

A Farmers' Union has been organized at New Bohemia, in Prince George County, composed of the farmers of Rives District. Grant Chase is president, and William F. Brown is secretary and treasurer. The object is to bring the producer and consumer closer together. It is designed to have a similar organization in every district in the county.

EXAMINATIONS IN PROGRESS.

All Other Student Affairs Neglected at V. P. I.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Blacksburg, Va., December 15.—First term examinations are now in progress and will continue until Friday, the 20th, when Christmas holidays begin. These absorb attention to the ex-

clusion of everything else, and student affairs are neglected for the time. Drill is held each afternoon, but all other duties have been suspended until after the holidays.

Following the resignation of Gordon Lefebvre, of Richmond, from college, W. R. Legge has been made president of the corps; Rex Steele, president of the German club, and F. T. Wall, editor-in-chief of the Virginia Tech. These offices were held by Mr. Lefebvre, who has accepted a position in Roanoke.

Dr. E. A. Smythe, of the department of biology, has gone to Orange Court-house to deliver an illustrated lecture on "Birds."

Professor R. J. Holden, of the geological department, is at the Jefferson Hospital in Roanoke for an operation for appendicitis.

Asbury N. Hodgson went to Staunton Thursday to be best man at the marriage of his brother, Emory R. Hodgson, the famous football star of V. P. I., to Miss Sadie Yost Heller, of that place. The wedding was very quietly celebrated Saturday morning.

New Church Dedicated.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Winchester, Va., December 15.—Large crowds of people from various sections of Berkeley, Jefferson and Frederick Counties attended the ceremonies today incident to the formal dedication of the new Methodist Episcopal Church at Bunker Hill, Berkeley County, W. Va. Bishop Earl Cranston, of Washington, preached this morning, and the dedicatory sermon was preached this afternoon by Rev. C. D. Taylor, of Winchester. Rev. J. W. Fleming is pastor of the church.

MORAL VICTORY IS LEFT IN DOUBT

Strike Is Settled, but Question of Right to Get Drunk Undecided.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)
Newcastle, England, December 15.—The Northeastern Railway strike was amicably settled yesterday, but it left the question of employees' right to get drunk, if it pleased them, still undecided. Magistrate Jones, before whom the railway men and their employers reached an agreement, held that Knox was not intoxicated. This left the moral victory of the conflict in doubt. Knox, an engine driver employed by the Northeastern, reported for duty in a somewhat excited condition, and the company immediately deposed him, charging that he was drunk. Knox had been an express engine driver, and was reduced to the freight service. He refused to accept the position, and quit.

Three thousand of his associates on the Northeastern struck in sympathy with Knox, and traffic was tied up. The railway men said that Knox had a right to get drunk if he saw fit, and the railway had no right to complain, so long as he did his work.

Five thousand men on other North of England railways struck, and passenger traffic in four counties was paralyzed. The collieries and foundries shut down as a result. In all, between 80,000 and 100,000 men were idle.

Knox appealed to Home Secretary McKenna. He said he was falsely accused. He said on his way to work that day he drank "two hot rumms," but denied he was intoxicated. Magistrate Jones was sent here to conduct the hearing. Whether two hot rumms would make a man intoxicated was a question that immediately became second in importance only to the question, "Has a man the right to get drunk if he wishes?"

On the recommendation of Magistrate Jones, the King pardoned all the strikers, and Knox and all his followers were reinstated, but will be docked six days' pay.

The officials of the Northeastern Railway immediately reinstated Knox and all the strikers.

GETS EIGHT YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

Fleener, Who Shot Policeman at Lee County Fair, Is Sentenced.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Bristol, Va., December 15.—For the murder of County Policeman Marion Dennis at the Lee County Fair, at Jonesville, in September, the Circuit Court jury gave Tom Fleener, an automobile driver, running a car between Jonesville and Ben Hur, eight years in the penitentiary. This was the second murderer to be convicted during the term, which has just adjourned.

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